GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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COMPLETION OF PROJECT NIRMAL
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project named `Nirmal 2000` under Rural Sanitation Programme in Kerala has been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons for non-completion of the Project so far; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNA SAHEB M.K.PATIL)

(a) to (d) : No Sir, the project named `Nirmal 2000` under Rural Sanitation Programme in Kottayam District of Kerala is still in implementation. The Govt. of India has released the entire share of Rs 520.785 lakh.The State Govt. has sought the extension of project period from 31-12-2000 to 31-3-2002. The Govt. of India has extended the project period upto 31-3-2002.As per the information received from the State Govt. of Kerala the reasons for non-completion of the project are (a) The project was envisaged to start from 1996-97. However, the formal approval by Govt. of India and Govt. of Kerala was accorded only in January, 1998.(b) Implementation strategy was modified to ensure maximum community participation. (c) Due to the operation of the Model Code of Conduct in the General Election to Local Bodies 2000, the selection of beneficiaries and implementation of new works were delayed etc.. It is expected that the project may be completed by 31-3-2002.